



**Your church and Prospects Across Scotland**

Prospects Across Scotland invite you to partner with them in the work of bringing the Gospel message to people with learning disabilities in a relevant and understandable way. Your church may decide to start a church based ministry group and/or make the whole church more accessible to people with learning disabilities.

Of course, your group does not need to be known as a Prospects group. Many groups like to choose their own name and all groups will be different to meet the needs of the people who come.

**Prospects Across Scotland** supports churches as they respond to the needs of people with learning disabilities by

* Helping them to think through issues

- Advising, equipping, training and providing resource

 materials.

* Supporting and encouraging the work as it develops.

**What are the benefits of partnering with Prospects Across Scotland?**

* Each group is regularly prayed for by staff and prayer partners.
* ****Advice, help and training in setting up and running a group.
* Regular newsletters, prayer diaries and monthly e-bulletin.
* Customised training for your team.
* Access to events in Scotland e.g. holiday weekend.
* Opportunity to meet up with people involved in similar ministry for mutual support and encouragement.
* We will put people looking for a group in touch with you.
* Being partnered with Prospects Across Scotland you are automatically part of a growing network of churches who are actively seeking to include adults with learning disabilities as part of the Body of Christ

When your Church partners with Prospects Across Scotland we ask you to

* Be committed to ministry with people with learning disabilities.
* Pray regularly for those involved in this ministry both in the local church and in Prospects Across Scotland.
* Ensure that the church has an effective safeguarding policy.

The local Church in partnership with Prospects Across Scotland – teamwork with positive outcomes.

**More** people with learning disabilities have the opportunity to hear about Jesus and develop their faith in a way that is meaningful to them.

**More** churches become welcoming and inclusive communities.

**More** people with learning disabilities are able to use their gifts to build up the whole Church.

**To partner with Prospects Across Scotland please complete the enclosed form and return it to**

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The cost of partnering with Prospects Across Scotland is **£50** and cheques made payable to **Prospects Across Scotland**

**Prospects Across Scotland staff and contact details**

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**Prospects Across Scotland**

**There are 21 church based groups and 1 Zoom based group**

**with links to Prospects Across Scotland**

Partnered groups around Scotland

Aberdeen Celebration Group

Ayr Shining Stars

Brightons, Falkirk, Friends of Jesus Group

Buckie Lighthouse Group

Buckie Footprints Group

Burntisland Prospects Group

Dingwall Prospects Group

Dunfermline Prospects Group

Edinburgh Central Prospects Group

Erskine JAM

Inverness Prospects Group

Kennoway (Fife) Welcome to Worship Group (WOW)

Kilwinning Praise Pals

Kinross All Friends Together

Kirkintilloch Following Jesus Group

Kirkintilloch Friendship Club

Lerwick Friends of Jesus Group

Peebles Share Group

Stirling Lifeway Group

Strathaven Aspire

West Lothian Breich Valley Friends of Jesus Group

Zoom Precious Gems Group (Scotland wide)

Prospects Across Scotland: Registered office 16 Isaac Mackie House, Bank Street, Elie, KY9 1BL

Charity number: SC048

**Please partner my church to Prospects Across Scotland**

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| **Church leader’s name:** |  |
| Church Address | Signature (sign & date) |
| Postcode | Tel No  |
| Email address |  |
| Does your church have a safeguarding policy? |  |

I would like to receive information about Prospects Across Scotland and I consent to Prospects Across Scotland holding my contact details on their secure database. This information will be used to share the information below, please advise which you wish to receive & how.

E-bulletins Yes/No

Newsletter Yes/No Post/ e-mail

Prayer diary Yes/No Post/ e-mail

Donor information Yes/No Post/ e-mail

Other updates Yes/No Post/ e-mail

 Signature: Date

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| **Group leader’s name** |  |
| Address | Signature (sign & date) |
| Postcode | Tel No |
| Email address |  |
| Group name and meeting place.  |  |

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